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PATENT

Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 06530.0275

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Susan I. SHELZO) Group Art Unit: 3738
Application No.: 09/753,448) Examiner: K. Landrem
Filed: January 4, 2001)
For: EXPANSION-ASSISTING)
DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR)
SELF-EXPANDING STENT)

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Sir:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of August 19, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	44	-	28	16	x \$ 18	\$ 288.00
Indep.	5	-	3	2	x \$ 84	168.00
<input type="checkbox"/> First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$280	-0-
					Subtotal	\$ 456.00
					Reduction by 1/2 if small entity	-0-
					TOTAL	\$ 456.00

- A fee of \$456.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- A check for \$456.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: November 18, 2002

By: _____


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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated August 19, 2002, please amend the above-
identified application as follows:

11/19/2002 SSESHE1 0000003 09753448

01 FC:1202
02 FC:1201

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-3, 5, 7-9, 11-14, 16, and 17, and add new claims 29-44,
as follows:

1. (Amended) A delivery system for a self-expanding stent, the delivery system comprising:

a catheter having a distal end, the catheter being configured to retain a self-expanding stent proximate the distal end, the catheter including a tubular member including a first marker band proximate a position corresponding to a leading end of a self-expanding stent, a second marker band

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